

# **Guidebook for the HERC Person Level Cost Data Sets**

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## **Overview of the Person Level Cost Data Sets**

The person level cost data sets contain total annual costs for VA care received by each individual who used the VA health care system. Currently spanning FY98-FY02, these data allow researchers to determine the annual costs of individual patients without needing to extract and summarize stay and visit level information from numerous VA databases.

The person level cost data sets contain one record per individual, as identified by their scrambled social security number (SCRSSN), per fiscal year. They are sorted by SCRSSN. Each dataset contains detailed costs for five categories of inpatient care and four categories of outpatient care. Each also includes total pharmacy costs. Inpatient length of stay is detailed by category; outpatient visits are totaled for all categories together (not divided by category).

The person level cost data sets are named PLCOSTXX (where the XX refers to the fiscal year of the data set). They can be found at Austin in the RMTPRD.HERC.SAS directory.

Inpatient stays beginning in one fiscal year and ending in another have had their costs allocated between the fiscal years based on the proportion of days of stay in each fiscal year.

## **Inpatient and Outpatient Costs**

Inpatient and outpatient care costs were estimated using a methodology developed by the VA Health Economics Resource Center (HERC). Because the VA does not routinely generate patient bills, cost information at the stay and visit levels cannot be directly determined. To allow costs to be analyzed, HERC developed an average cost methodology to estimate a cost for each outpatient encounter and inpatient hospital stay in the VA. This methodology assigns each inpatient stay the average cost of all inpatient stays that share its same demographic and discharge characteristics. Likewise, each outpatient visit is assigned the average cost for all visits with the same CPT codes and visit type.

Assigning costs in this way allows for cost estimates to be assigned comprehensively to all VA care. However, these cost estimates may not always be appropriate to use in all analytical situations. Because similar health care encounters will necessarily be assigned the same costs, cost differentials between interventions that are close substitutes cannot be determined using this data. Further, the HERC cost estimates do not reflect VA practice patterns or productivity. All similar services are assigned identical costs, regardless of the individual inputs involved. Finally, outpatient costs reflect incomplete data on prosthetics services.

For each inpatient stay and outpatient visit, HERC estimated two costs: national and local. National costs were estimated such that they sum to the total national expenditures for VA care (divided by care category) as reported in the Cost Distribution Report (CDR). Local costs were estimated similarly, but reconcile to the total VA expenditures by care category at the medical center level as reported in the CDR. For example, the sum of HERC's national cost estimates for ambulatory care is equal to the total CDR expenditure for ambulatory care in the nation. Likewise, the sum of HERC's local cost estimates

for ambulatory care in a given medical center is equal to the total CDR expenditure for ambulatory care in that medical center.

Both national and local costs are included in the person level cost data sets. Local costs are reported as overall totals for each individual, one for inpatient care and one for outpatient care. National costs are reported both as overall totals, and broken down into five categories of inpatient care and four categories of outpatient care.

A more detailed description of how the HERC costs were estimated can be found in the following publications: [HERC's Inpatient Average Cost Datasets for VA Care](#) and [HERC's Outpatient Dataset for VA Care](#). These documents, as well as a summary of the average cost methodology can be found on the HERC website at: <http://www.herc.research.med.va.gov/ACM.htm>.

## Pharmacy Costs

Pharmacy costs were obtained from the DSS national data extracts (NDE) pharmacy SAS datasets stored at the Austin Automation Center. Documentation for this data can be found in the following publication: [VIREC Research User Guide: VHA Pharmacy Prescription Data](#). This document can be found on the VIREC website at: <http://www.virec.research.med.va.gov>. Please note that pharmacy costs are not available for FY98. They were not routinely collected until FY99. Please note that these costs have not been audited by HERC. They are simply reported as found in the DSS NDEs. As such, negative values and implausibly large values may be encountered.

## Annual Totals for the FY89 – FY02 Person-Level Cost Data Sets

Fiscal Year	Unique Patients (thousands)	Inpatient Cost (millions)	Outpatient Cost (millions)	Pharmacy Cost (millions)
1998	3,249	8,296	4,694	N/A
1999	3,478	8,613	5,025	2,419
2000	3,735	8,378	5,568	2,524
2001	4,158	8,780	6,211	3,061
2002	4,548	9,071	6,608	3,499

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LOS_1	INPATIENT LENGTH OF STAY – MED/SURG	7
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\* PHAR\_CST variable is not available for FY98

### **COSTL – TOTAL LOCAL INPATIENT COST**

Description: The total local cost of all inpatient care during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **COSTN – TOTAL NATIONAL INPATIENT COST**

Description: The total national cost of all inpatient care during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **INPT\_1 – NATIONAL INPATIENT COST – MED/SURG**

Description: The total national cost of all inpatient care in the medical and surgical categories (category 0 (medical) and category 4 (surgical)) during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **INPT\_2 – NATIONAL INPATIENT COST – BEHAVIORAL**

Description: The total national cost of all inpatient care in the behavioral categories (category 5 (psychiatry) and category 6 (substance abuse)) during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **INPT\_3 – NATIONAL INPATIENT COST – LONG TERM CARE**

Description: The total national cost of all inpatient care in the long-term care category (category 9) during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **INPT\_4 – NATIONAL INPATIENT COST – RESIDENTIAL/DOM**

Description: The total national cost of all inpatient care in the residential and domiciliary categories (category 8 (domiciliary) and category 10 (PR RTP)) during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **INPT\_5 – NATIONAL INPATIENT COST – OTHER**

Description: The total national cost of all inpatient care in all other categories (category 1 (rehabilitation), category 2 (blind rehabilitation), category 3 (spinal cord injury), and category 7 (intermediate)) during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **LOS – TOTAL INPATIENT LENGTH OF STAY**

Description: The total number of days of all inpatient care during the fiscal year.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **LOS\_1 – INPATIENT LENGTH OF STAY – MED/SURG**

Description: The total number of days of all inpatient care in the medical and surgical categories (category 0 (medical) and category 4 (surgical)) during the fiscal year.

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Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

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Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

## **LOS\_5 – INPATIENT LENGTH OF STAY – OTHER**

Description: The total number of days of all inpatient care in all other categories (category 1 (rehabilitation), category 2 (blind rehabilitation), category 3 (spinal cord injury), and category 7 (intermediate)) during the fiscal year.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

## **NUMOPREC – TOTAL NUMBER OF OUTPATIENT RECORDS**

Description: The total number of outpatient visits during the fiscal year.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

## **OLCOST – TOTAL LOCAL OUTPATIENT COST**

Description: The total local cost of all outpatient care during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

## **ONCOST – TOTAL NATIONAL OUTPATIENT COST**

Description: The total national cost of all outpatient care during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data



### **OUTPT\_1 – NATIONAL OUTPATIENT COST – MED/SURG**

Description: The total national cost of all outpatient care in the medical and surgical categories (category 21 (medical) and category 28 (surgical)) during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **OUTPT\_2 – NATIONAL OUTPATIENT COST – DIAGNOSTIC**

Description: The total national cost of all outpatient care in the diagnostic categories (category 23 (ancillary services) and category 25 (diagnostic services)) during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **OUTPT\_3 – NATIONAL OUTPATIENT COST – BEHAVIORAL**

Description: The total national cost of all outpatient care in the behavioral categories (category 29 (psychiatry) and category 30 (substance abuse treatment)) during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **OUTPT\_4 – NATIONAL OUTPATIENT COST – OTHER**

Description: The total national cost of all outpatient care in all other categories (category 22 (dialysis), category 24 (rehabilitation), category 27 (prosthetics), category 31 (dental), category 32 (adult day care), category 33 (home care), and category 99 (unidentified stops)) during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

### **PHAR\_CST – TOTAL DSS PHARMACY COST**

Description: The total DSS pharmacy cost accrued during the fiscal year. Note: There are 55 records with negative total pharmacy costs in FY01 and 1,297 records with negative pharmacy costs in FY02.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY99 – FY02
Data Source	DSS daily pharmacy cost data

### **SCRSSN – SCRAMBLED SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER**

Description: Scrambled social security numbers created through formula manipulation of patient real social security numbers (SCRSSNs are non-random, allowing patients to be tracked across data sets).

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	Formula manipulation of Patient (2) file real SSN

### **TOTHERC – TOTAL NATIONAL COST (INPATIENT + OUTPATIENT)**

Description: The total national cost of all inpatient and outpatient care during the fiscal year, as calculated using the HERC average cost methodology. Note: This figure does not include annual DSS pharmacy costs.

Data Type	Numeric
Years Available	FY98 – FY02
Data Source	HERC average cost data

## Appendix A: PROC MEANS

PERSON-LEVEL FILE -- FY98

Variable	Label	N	N Miss	Mean	Std Dev	Minimum	Maximum
costl	TOTAL LOCAL INPATIENT COST	3248505	0	2551.98	12855.76	0.00	2980153.48
costn	TOTAL NATIONAL INPATIENT COST	3248505	0	2553.72	13515.52	0.00	4603075.24
inpt_1	NAT INPT COST MED/SURG	3248505	0	1458.18	9735.41	0.00	4430952.30
inpt_2	NAT INPT COST BEHAVIORAL	3248505	0	390.50	4948.05	0.00	180389.55
inpt_3	NAT INPT COST LONG TERM CARE	3248505	0	379.70	5068.37	0.00	236800.02
inpt_4	NAT INPT COST RESIDENTIAL/DOM	3248505	0	84.52	1307.70	0.00	76147.93
inpt_5	NAT INPT COST OTHER	3248505	0	240.82	3985.83	0.00	308916.44
los	TOTAL LENGTH OF STAY	3248505	0	4.52	28.14	0.00	737.00
los_1	NAT INPT LOS MED/SURG	3248505	0	0.99	5.64	0.00	731.00
los_2	NAT INPT LOS BEHAVIORAL	3248505	0	0.78	9.99	0.00	365.00
los_3	NAT INPT LOS LONG TERM CARE	3248505	0	1.53	19.95	0.00	395.00
los_4	NAT INPT LOS RESIDENTIAL/DOM	3248505	0	0.73	11.58	0.00	515.00
los_5	NAT INPT LOS OTHER	3248505	0	0.48	7.67	0.00	429.00
OLCOST	TOTAL LOCAL OUTPATIENT COST	3248505	0	1444.92	2828.59	0.00	262733.06
ONCOST	TOTAL NATIONAL OUTPATIENT COST	3248505	0	1444.92	2841.72	0.00	246032.13
outpt_1	NAT OUTPT COST MED/SURG	3248505	0	765.89	1286.74	0.00	118132.02
outpt_2	NAT OUTPT COST DIAGNOSTIC	3248505	0	265.26	522.45	0.00	68340.83
outpt_3	NAT OUTPT COST BEHAVIORAL	3248505	0	211.20	1234.38	0.00	101377.84
outpt_4	NAT OUTPT COST OTHER	3248505	0	202.57	1590.33	0.00	225496.06
NUMOPREC	TOTAL NUMBER OF OUTPATIENT RECORDS	3248505	0	17.64	31.15	0.00	1717.00
TOTHERC	TOTAL INPT + OUTPT NATIONAL COST	3248505	0	3998.64	14237.31	0.00	4603075.24

## PERSON-LEVEL FILE -- FY99

Variable	Label	N	N Miss	Mean	Std Dev	Minimum	Maximum
costl	TOTAL LOCAL INPATIENT COST	3477642	0	2502.77	14091.09	0.00	3475258.85
costn	TOTAL NATIONAL INPATIENT COST	3477642	0	2476.81	14384.33	0.00	4624443.03
inpt_1	NAT INPT COST MED/SURG	3477642	0	1382.58	9885.33	0.00	4419147.43
inpt_2	NAT INPT COST BEHAVIORAL	3477642	0	362.28	5224.20	0.00	414003.32
inpt_3	NAT INPT COST LONG TERM CARE	3477642	0	409.71	6185.63	0.00	724120.73
inpt_4	NAT INPT COST RESIDENTIAL/DOM	3477642	0	91.26	1478.66	0.00	110581.17
inpt_5	NAT INPT COST OTHER	3477642	0	230.97	4226.50	0.00	573170.89
los	TOTAL LENGTH OF STAY	3477642	0	4.10	27.24	0.00	870.00
los_1	NAT INPT LOS MED/SURG	3477642	0	0.93	5.56	0.00	566.00
los_2	NAT INPT LOS BEHAVIORAL	3477642	0	0.65	9.25	0.00	728.00
los_3	NAT INPT LOS LONG TERM CARE	3477642	0	1.39	19.07	0.00	730.00
los_4	NAT INPT LOS RESIDENTIAL/DOM	3477642	0	0.72	11.88	0.00	730.00
los_5	NAT INPT LOS OTHER	3477642	0	0.41	7.16	0.00	716.00
OLCOST	TOTAL LOCAL OUTPATIENT COST	3477642	0	1445.03	2794.87	0.00	244007.51
ONCOST	TOTAL NATIONAL OUTPATIENT COST	3477642	0	1445.03	2785.52	0.00	204229.82
outpt_1	NAT OUTPT COST MED/SURG	3477642	0	789.40	1327.63	0.00	151828.33
outpt_2	NAT OUTPT COST DIAGNOSTIC	3477642	0	251.04	475.50	0.00	38288.79
outpt_3	NAT OUTPT COST BEHAVIORAL	3477642	0	210.46	1234.64	0.00	121349.61
outpt_4	NAT OUTPT COST OTHER	3477642	0	194.13	1488.50	0.00	188824.96
NUMOPREC	TOTAL NUMBER OF OUTPATIENT RECORDS	3477642	0	17.62	30.63	0.00	2547.00
PHAR_CST	TOTAL PHARMACY COSTS	3477642	0	695.63	18307.98	0.00	15755773.81
TOTHERC	TOTAL INPT + OUTPT NATIONAL COST	3477642	0	3921.85	15076.87	0.00	4624443.03

## PERSON-LEVEL FILE -- FY00

Variable	Label	N	N Miss	Mean	Std Dev	Minimum	Maximum
costl	TOTAL LOCAL INPATIENT COST	3735498	0	2254.42	12975.44	0.00	3475258.85
costn	TOTAL NATIONAL INPATIENT COST	3735498	0	2242.93	13241.56	0.00	4999452.59
inpt_1	NAT INPT COST MED/SURG	3735498	0	1275.50	9150.98	0.00	4999452.59
inpt_2	NAT INPT COST BEHAVIORAL	3735498	0	320.60	5013.18	0.00	309051.39
inpt_3	NAT INPT COST LONG TERM CARE	3735498	0	363.65	5372.56	0.00	289196.47
inpt_4	NAT INPT COST RESIDENTIAL/DOM	3735498	0	83.22	1376.74	0.00	64480.75
inpt_5	NAT INPT COST OTHER	3735498	0	199.97	3969.44	0.00	329160.88
los	TOTAL LENGTH OF STAY	3735498	0	3.41	24.01	0.00	731.00
los_1	NAT INPT LOS MED/SURG	3735498	0	0.78	4.80	0.00	679.00
los_2	NAT INPT LOS BEHAVIORAL	3735498	0	0.51	7.87	0.00	481.00
los_3	NAT INPT LOS LONG TERM CARE	3735498	0	1.20	17.42	0.00	694.00
los_4	NAT INPT LOS RESIDENTIAL/DOM	3735498	0	0.61	10.23	0.00	401.00
los_5	NAT INPT LOS OTHER	3735498	0	0.31	5.86	0.00	397.00
OLCOST	TOTAL LOCAL OUTPATIENT COST	3735498	0	1490.51	2947.48	0.00	250277.39
ONCOST	TOTAL NATIONAL OUTPATIENT COST	3735498	0	1490.49	2902.28	0.00	215545.41
outpt_1	NAT OUTPT COST MED/SURG	3735498	0	821.72	1396.85	0.00	153088.02
outpt_2	NAT OUTPT COST DIAGNOSTIC	3735498	0	255.53	492.65	0.00	39596.95
outpt_3	NAT OUTPT COST BEHAVIORAL	3735498	0	209.27	1248.67	0.00	89932.38
outpt_4	NAT OUTPT COST OTHER	3735498	0	203.98	1606.36	0.00	205937.65
NUMOPREC	TOTAL NUMBER OF OUTPATIENT RECORDS	3735498	0	16.96	28.80	0.00	1620.00
PHAR_CST	TOTAL PHARMACY COSTS	3735498	0	675.62	2822.95	0.00	1363589.97
TOTHERC	TOTAL INPT + OUTPT NATIONAL COST	3735498	0	3733.43	14013.23	0.00	4999452.59

PERSON-LEVEL FILE -- FY01

Variable	Label	N	N Miss	Mean	Std Dev	Minimum	Maximum
costl	TOTAL LOCAL INPATIENT COST	4157552	0	2116.52	12662.23	0.00	3890315.48
costn	TOTAL NATIONAL INPATIENT COST	4157552	0	2111.88	12516.97	0.00	4999452.59
inpt_1	NAT INPT COST MED/SURG	4157552	0	1194.56	8087.11	0.00	4999452.59
inpt_2	NAT INPT COST BEHAVIORAL	4157552	0	285.67	4815.88	0.00	1084216.47
inpt_3	NAT INPT COST LONG TERM CARE	4157552	0	355.70	5459.50	0.00	146909.80
inpt_4	NAT INPT COST RESIDENTIAL/DOM	4157552	0	84.54	1449.78	0.00	149714.82
inpt_5	NAT INPT COST OTHER	4157552	0	191.41	4004.97	0.00	485202.94
los	TOTAL LENGTH OF STAY	4157552	0	2.96	22.08	0.00	1531.00
los_1	NAT INPT LOS MED/SURG	4157552	0	0.69	4.49	0.00	670.00
los_2	NAT INPT LOS BEHAVIORAL	4157552	0	0.41	6.83	0.00	1531.00
los_3	NAT INPT LOS LONG TERM CARE	4157552	0	1.05	16.09	0.00	433.00
los_4	NAT INPT LOS RESIDENTIAL/DOM	4157552	0	0.56	9.69	0.00	1021.00
los_5	NAT INPT LOS OTHER	4157552	0	0.25	5.05	0.00	392.00
OLCOST	TOTAL LOCAL OUTPATIENT COST	4157552	0	1493.91	2949.84	0.00	257621.03
ONCOST	TOTAL NATIONAL OUTPATIENT COST	4157552	0	1493.89	2922.74	0.00	247029.28
outpt_1	NAT OUTPT COST MED/SURG	4157552	0	830.22	1392.03	0.00	215367.81
outpt_2	NAT OUTPT COST DIAGNOSTIC	4157552	0	250.13	476.28	0.00	84292.17
outpt_3	NAT OUTPT COST BEHAVIORAL	4157552	0	206.83	1232.61	0.00	78529.52
outpt_4	NAT OUTPT COST OTHER	4157552	0	206.72	1656.37	0.00	243077.05
NUMOPREC	TOTAL NUMBER OF OUTPATIENT RECORDS	4157552	0	14.60	25.58	0.00	1460.00
PHAR_CST	TOTAL PHARMACY COSTS	4157552	0	736.29	4117.32	-5488.49	5164247.25
TOTHERC	TOTAL INPT + OUTPT NATIONAL COST	4157552	0	3605.76	13345.24	0.00	4999452.59

## PERSON-LEVEL FILE -- FY02

Variable	Label	N	N Miss	Mean	Std Dev	Minimum	Maximum
costl	TOTAL LOCAL INPATIENT COST	4547967	0	1996.01	12431.94	0.00	1714620.93
costn	TOTAL NATIONAL INPATIENT COST	4547967	0	1994.62	12319.54	0.00	2849003.12
inpt_1	NAT INPT COST MED/SURG	4547967	0	1139.86	7922.27	0.00	2849003.12
inpt_2	NAT INPT COST BEHAVIORAL	4547967	0	258.90	4564.70	0.00	291196.44
inpt_3	NAT INPT COST LONG TERM CARE	4547967	0	344.17	5496.25	0.00	250876.29
inpt_4	NAT INPT COST RESIDENTIAL/DOM	4547967	0	82.26	1485.64	0.00	95027.72
inpt_5	NAT INPT COST OTHER	4547967	0	169.43	3959.86	0.00	378843.05
los	TOTAL LENGTH OF STAY	4547967	0	2.60	20.65	0.00	730.00
los_1	NAT INPT LOS MED/SURG	4547967	0	0.62	4.11	0.00	400.00
los_2	NAT INPT LOS BEHAVIORAL	4547967	0	0.33	5.80	0.00	366.00
los_3	NAT INPT LOS LONG TERM CARE	4547967	0	0.97	15.45	0.00	705.00
los_4	NAT INPT LOS RESIDENTIAL/DOM	4547967	0	0.50	9.12	0.00	566.00
los_5	NAT INPT LOS OTHER	4547967	0	0.18	4.28	0.00	398.00
OLCOST	TOTAL LOCAL OUTPATIENT COST	4547967	0	1452.95	3034.04	0.00	464839.67
ONCOST	TOTAL NATIONAL OUTPATIENT COST	4547967	0	1452.96	3143.26	0.00	623252.56
outpt_1	NAT OUTPT COST MED/SURG	4547967	0	816.62	1439.03	0.00	119795.65
outpt_2	NAT OUTPT COST DIAGNOSTIC	4547967	0	241.44	444.91	0.00	28700.53
outpt_3	NAT OUTPT COST BEHAVIORAL	4547967	0	197.38	1300.02	0.00	90405.25
outpt_4	NAT OUTPT COST OTHER	4547967	0	197.52	1968.10	0.00	619837.86
NUMOPREC	TOTAL NUMBER OF OUTPATIENT RECORDS	4547967	0	14.06	24.35	0.00	1610.00
PHAR_CST	TOTAL PHARMACY COSTS	4547967	0	769.33	4239.77	-756094.49	3278378.87
TOTHERC	TOTAL INPT + OUTPT NATIONAL COST	4547967	0	3447.58	13222.87	0.00	2849003.12